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## Rancho area of Oranjestad to be subject of Sustainable Building study



Historic structure of Rancho area

ORANJESTAD -- Government architects Rafi Kock and Glen Goddijn joined Suzie Boekhoudt of the National Archeology Museum Aruba (NAMA) in announcing a group of eighteen students from the University of Rotterdam will spend two weeks on Aruba performing an intensive study on the upgrading of the Rancho section of Oranjestad, from November 25 to December 30. The project is called

"Minor Rancho."

This will be the third Sustainable Building study performed on Aruba under the tutelage of Associate Professor Sustainable Building Technology, Arjan Karssen-berg. The first was to analyze the challenges of the Hooiberg/Pos Chiquito area, and the second to offer ideas and innovations for connecting the two sections of Pos Chiquito. After the first stimulating, successful venture on

the island, the professor has integrated an Aruban project into the program's annual curriculum.

This year, the students will focus on the western section of Aruba's capital, Rancho, which was originally an independent settlement. The expansion of urban sprawl eventually resulted in it being enfranchised within Oranjestad's borders.

The barrio is quite densely populated, and many of the homes occupied are landmark structures existing since the earliest colonial times. The area was noted for its salt flats and harbor, where fisherman brought in the catch and sold fish for Aruban kitchens and export.

NAMA representative Suzie Boekhoudt explained the students will use NAMA, on the border of Rancho, as their base of operations during the study. This will also provide them easy access to the historic documents in the museum's research center.

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## Happy times are here as Aruba puts on its holiday dress



This week the Rotunda near Wendy's in Oranjestad was decorated for the holidays. (see story on pg 2)

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## Dozens of Democrats vote for US House bill cutting 'Obamacare'

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Several Democrats defected Friday to vote for legislation that would gut significant portions of the new US health care law, the strongest sign yet of party anger over "Obamacare."

Even if the Democrat-run Senate took up the House measure, the White House has already said President Barack Obama would veto it if it reaches his desk.

But the broad bipartisan vote, even if just a political messaging bill, marked a blow to a president under heavy fire for his largely discredited pledge that all Americans who liked their health plans could keep them.

Added to that is the flawed rollout of the HealthCare.gov website through which millions of Americans are expected to sign up for insurance.

"Today, the House made a big, bipartisan statement about the need to make things right," Speaker John Boehner said in a statement.

"The Keep Your Health Plan Act represents an important step toward providing relief to those who have lost their plans and face much higher premiums, but the real solution is to scrap the presi-

dent's fundamentally-flawed health care law" altogether, he added.

The controversial measure, which passed 261-157, addresses what has emerged as a major sticking point in the law known as "Obamacare" -- millions being notified that the insurance plans they purchased on the open individual market are being cancelled, apparently because the coverage is sub-standard.

The bill is different from the "fix" proposed by Obama Thursday, which would allow insurers to keep offering such coverage only to those consumers who already are enrolled in the insurance in question.

New consumers would be required to obtain insurance that meets the law's standards. The House measure, however, opens the sub-standard plans to anyone.

Democrat Nick Rahall broke ranks and voted for the bill, saying Americans were disgusted with the "very bad, rotten" rollout of Obamacare.

House and Senate Democrats are offering several fixes of their own, suggesting the unity among Obama and members of his party has begun to fray.

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## Happy times are here as Aruba puts on its holiday dress



Minister Sevinger with Frosty



ORANJESTAD -- Major traffic intersections are becoming focal points for seasonal celebrations as the Aruba prepares for end of the year celebrations. The various rotundas around the islands may be covered with white pebbles to simulate snow, but the holiday cheer is just as much in force.

Evidence of this was the lighting of the Belgiestraat rotunda near the Wendy's in Oranjestad on Wednesday evening, November 13. As Part of the BoBario Project endorsed by the administration, Aruba's Minister of Infrastructure, Integration and Spatial Planning, Benny Sevinger welcomed the community.

The fantastical decorations and lighting at the roundabout was a cooperative effort by volunteers from Colegio Bon Bini and the government with sponsorship from Aruba Ports Authority, (APA), who "adopted" the project.

Youngsters and young at heart thoroughly enjoyed the festive evening heralding the holiday season. Snack wagons and performances by seasonal singing groups called "gaita" insured a delightful time by all.

By Rosalie Klein

## Rancho area of Oranjestad ...

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Team from government, museum, Stichting Rancho and Monument Foundation



Original colonial homes are still lived in

Mr. Goddijn expressed it is the hope of the government to glean innovative suggestions from the study for the upgrading of the Rancho barrio. "There is much to learn here on both sides. The neighborhood needs beautification, and improving certain aspects of the infrastructure is an imperative. The concept is a "cross-pollination" of ideas. It is very healthy for architectural students to work within the context of foreign cultures and mindsets. It inspires them to innovative thinking, while we will also benefit from their knowledge of the latest technologies and techniques."

An area such as Rancho is particularly challenging as the students must work within the parameters of preserving landmarks and historical context of the area, while increasing the efficiency of the infrastructure. Present to express their enthusiasm and support for the project representatives of Aruba's Monument Foundation, Mircla Navas and Zetsia Ponson of Stichting Rancho, which is dedicated to the history and traditions of the neighborhood.

"There are several stakeholders in this project," commented Mr. Kock. "The Department of Public Works (DOW), Bo Bario, W.E.B., and the Ministry of Infrastructure and Spatial Planning all have an abiding interest in the final report." He and Mr. Goddijn are part of the team that designed and executed the Linear Park and the Caya Betico Croes beautification project, and they are looking forward to what ideas and innovations they can incorporate from this study into their improvements to the Rancho area.

By Rosalie Klein

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## Information regarding Student Loans for IPA

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The amount of the loan to study at IPA:

The student who applies for an Aruba loan to study at IPA, who complies with all the requirements, will receive a maximum of Afls. 72.000.

This amount will be issued in different periods. They will receive maximum Afls. 12.000 per year divided into two payments of Afls. 6000, each.

The student will also receive the sum of Afls. 3000 to purchase a computer. This sum falls within the maximum of Afl. 72.000. This may be received in a one-time payment.

It is important to note that the amount of the Aruba loan may not cover all the expenses of the study program. The student will be responsible for any additional expenses incurred.

**Repayment of the study loan:**

The study loan is rent free. There will be no interest added to the amount loaned.

A student, who completes their education at IPA successfully and works for 5 consecutive years in the education of Aruba immediately after receiving the diploma, may be entitled to an exoneration of the study loan. During the 5 years, however, the student continues to repay the loan. In the event the student complies with all requirements and gets the exoneration, all monies paid during the 5 years will be reimbursed.

### Application:

Students interested in applying for the upcoming academic year (2014-2015) should submit an application by December 6th for the Aruba loan.

To apply at IPA the student must use the Aruba/Regio forms available as a download on their website at [www.ea.aw](http://www.ea.aw).

Flyers are also available with all information and the application procedure, conditions for getting the loan. Duration and repayment of the

loan.

The loan petition must be submitted to the Studietoelaten of the Department of Education, located in the Codemsa building on the second floor, Cumana 69. For more information contact them at telephone 588-7600 or via email at [arubalenig@ea.aw](mailto:arubalenig@ea.aw).

DEA will be present during IPA open house day on November 16. They will be happy to answer all questions from students and parents.

## Mandatory Education Law regulates all school vacations

ORANJESTAD -- The Aruba Mandatory Education Office reminds all parents and guardians that the official Christmas school vacation is from December 19, 2013 until January 3, 2014. The Mandatory Education Office kindly reminds everyone that it will NOT permit anyone to take vacations during school periods.

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## Alfonso Boekhoudt sworn In as Plenipotentiary Minister in the Hague



### Alfonso Boekhoudt

On Thursday morning Alfonso Boekhoudt was sworn in as the next Plenipotentiary Minister in the Hague, Holland. In a modest ceremony, Boekhoudt, Ministers of the Eman cabinet were present to witness the swearing in. In the month of December, Boekhoudt will be leaving for Holland to assume his responsibilities in Holland.

The Prime Minister expressed satisfaction in the ap-

pointment of Boekhoudt, citing that he has all the necessary qualifications to include economic aspects as well as diplomatic which are needed for such a charge in The Netherlands.

According to Eman, we are on the right track to creating a third economic pillar based primarily on the attraction from Europe and The Netherlands, business and institutions that must establish on Aruba. Institutions such as TNO and Rietveld Academy are already here.

Social aspects of the Aruban community in Holland must also be given attention by Aruba House. Students and those going to Holland for medical care fall under the responsibility of Aruba House and must be well attended.

"We are certain that Alfonso Boekhoudt can manage all of these challenges. As director of APA he amassed a wealth of experience to be able to manage institutions, to have top level relations and as director of the Aruba Red Cross he demonstrated excellent humanitarian social skills which to us is very important. It is a service you give with your mind, conscience and heart. In Boekhoudt we have someone who has all three important elements," according to Eman.

The Prime Minister thanked Boekhoudt for accepting the challenge. He indicated that he is confident that Boekhoudt will do an excellent job abroad.



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## Sinterklaas arrives tomorrow!



Sinterklaas and his Zwarte Pieten will be arriving on Aruba tomorrow! It was announced this beloved figure with his band of merry pranksters will arrive at Oranjestad Harbor at 11:00 AM. The whole family are invited to receive Sinterklaas and his Zwarte Pieten.

This is a huge event for island children and their parents, so travelers needing to make their way to the airport are advised to find alternative routes to the airport, rather than taking L.G. Smith Boulevard, particularly if you need to be there around noon to check in.

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To assist in achieving this, New Life Ministries will present a conference on how to tackle the issue, called Sea Transforma" with Pastor John Muratori in person on Aruba. The conference is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, No-

vember 22 and 23.

New Life Ministry is also organizing a special night for men called 'Men of Integrity.' It takes place Tuesday, November 26, from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Entrance is FREE!

The 'Sea Transforma' conference is at the New Life Tabernacle in the Certified Mega Mall, situated in the second floor. On Friday November 22, the conference is from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.; on Saturday, November 23, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with a lunch break from 12:30 - 2:00 p.m. Tickets are AWG 35,- and are available at Friends of God Bookstore, Heaven's Hair Studio and, if left, at the door on the night of the conference.

For more information or pre-sale to groups of more than 10 persons, call New Life Tabernacle at tel. 582-8787

## Distinguished Visitors honored at Marriott Surf Club



ORANJESTAD -- Recently Mr. Jack and Mrs. Pam Bliss resident of Kansas USA were honored as Distinguished Visitors after returning to Aruba for 10 years.

The symbolic honorary title is presented in the name of the Minister of Tourism as a token of appreciation to guests who visit Aruba between 10 and 20 consecutive years.

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## Venezuela arrests 50 in crackdown on 'speculators'

CARACAS (AFP) — Venezuela has arrested and charged 50 people with "usury" and other crimes for allegedly seeking to reap excessive profits, the government said on Friday.

"Fifty people have been detained for usury, speculation and disturbing the peace," said Miguel Rodríguez Torres, the country's justice minister, in a press release that offered no additional details about the people detained or their alleged crimes.

Last weekend, at least seven store managers were arrested, most of whom also were charged with usury, as the government expanded a crackdown on merchants accused of speculation and price-gouging.

The arrests on Friday were the latest move by the government to fight alleged corruption.

President Nicolas Maduro blames Venezuela's soaring inflation rate -- currently at 54 percent -- on the members of the opposition and on the private sector, which he says is waging an "economic war" against his government.

Meanwhile, the national legislature on Thursday gave initial backing to a measure granting Maduro extraordinary powers -- a move criticized by his political enemies as a naked power grab.

The president's supporters, who hold the majority in the National Assembly, engineered a narrow victory for the measure allowing him to govern by decree, without having to seek parliamentary approval.

A second vote that would final passage has been scheduled for November 19.

The crackdown came as Maduro -- a protégé of late socialist firebrand Hugo Chavez -- maneuvers to strengthen his hand ahead of an important political test in municipal elections next month.

Over the weekend, Maduro used his existing authority to make retail appliance stores slash prices, sending troops to keep order among the unruly crowds.

The deep discounts of as much as 60 percent -- which Maduro has said would soon be expanded to other consumer items -- come with workers newly flush with cash from year-end pay bonuses.

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## Natalie Nathu ecstatic about dancing for Royal Couple!

ORANJESTAD -- The "Movement on Music" activity planned for the Royal visit, promises to be a spectacular activity. On Thursday, November 21st during the Royal Jump-up activity, there will be a presentation called "Movement on Music."

In this activity a group of 12 children from classes 2 to 6 of the Pius X school in Dakota will



do different dances for another group of over a thousand children. One of the children to have the honor of being among the 12 children chosen by Pius X school to dance is Natalie Nathu. Nathalie is in the 6th grade.

Nathalie says that she is simply ecstatic and very proud to present a dance in front of so many other children. She is part of a dance group of Kids 2 Kids, but

never imagined that she would dance to so many people.

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## Law and order prevailing in Philippine typhoon chaos

TACLOBAN (AFP) - Fears that the dire situation among desperate typhoon survivors in the Philippines would tip into violence receded Friday, as relief operations scaled up and a reinforced police presence deterred looters.

At Tacloban airport, which had witnessed frenzied scenes earlier in the week as crowds fought for a seat on any plane leaving the devastated city, a semblance of order had been restored.

"Things are looking very different here than they were when we arrived," said Captain Jon Shamess of the US Airforce's 320th Special Tactics Squadron, which had flown in from Okinawa on Tuesday to help secure the airport.

"Before, as soon as a plane landed, people were all rushing towards it trying to get on, which is obviously a very dangerous situation," Shamess said.

There were still thousands of people desperate to get out, but most stood patiently, waiting their turn.

In Tacloban city the police deployment had swelled to around 1,200 on Friday, with reinforcements flown in from Manila, according to Wilben Mayor, spokesman for the Philippines national police chief.

"There was some looting but that has been contained now," Mayor told AFP.

"We're still very alert to the security situation, but our focus is switching from crime prevention to supporting the relief effort," he added.

A strict dusk-to-dawn curfew has been in force in Tacloban since Monday night.

Isolated shooting incidents in the immediate aftermath of last Friday's super typhoon had fuelled concerns of a breakdown in law and order

as survivors struggled to survive without food, water or electricity.

But Patrick Fuller, Asia-Pacific spokesman for the Red Cross, which has teams on the ground in Tacloban and other storm-devastated areas, said initial reports of looming anarchy had been overblown.

"We have to recognise the difference between ordinary, very desperate people in Tacloban looting local food stores as their last resort, and armed bandits," Fuller said.

"I don't think the security concerns are as bad as has been described in some media reports," Fuller said.

Helping stabilise the situation was the arrival of the US aircraft carrier, USS George Washington, which began flying in urgently needed aid to towns worst-hit by Super Typhoon Haiyan.

"But it's not just about food, it's about opening access to remote areas," Fuller cautioned.

The United Nations has received \$72 million for its relief fund for the disaster-stricken Philippines with Gulf countries the key contributors, a top UN humanitarian official said Friday.

Kuwait and United Arab Emirates have each given \$10 million to the UN appeal for \$301 million to help survivors of Typhoon Haiyan, John Ging, the UN humanitarian operations director told a news conference.

Ging added that more than \$80 million has been donated to the Philippines relief effort through other international charities and organizations.

"Money is coming very quickly," Ging told reporters, while adding: "We have to keep our foot on the accelerator. Too many people have not received assistance but they should know the assistance is on the way."

## US offering \$10 mln reward for Benghazi attackers

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The US State Department disclosed Friday it is offering a \$10 million reward to track down anyone behind last year's brutal attack on a US mission in Libya, in which the ambassador was among four Americans killed.

"Since January of this year, the Rewards for Justice program has had a reward offer of up to \$10 million for information leading to the arrest or conviction of anyone who was involved in the September 2012 Benghazi attacks," a State Department spokesman told AFP on Friday.

The reward was not widely publicized when it was first made available, which the State Department said was because of "security issues and sensitivities surrounding the investigation."

"Since this event happened... we've made it clear that we are committed to bringing the people who conducted this attack to justice. And we're using all the appropriate tools we have to do that," the spokesman said.

Hordes of heavily armed militants stormed the mission in eastern Benghazi on September 11, 2012 and then attacked a nearby CIA compound with mortar shells and rockets.

Ambassador Chris Stevens was killed in the firestorm along with three other diplomatic and security staff, Sean Smith, Glen Doherty and Tyrone Woods.

Stevens, a popular diplomat and fluent Arabic speaker, was the first ambassador to be killed while on duty in three decades, and the assault shocked America to its core.

Initially, the sacking of the mission was described by US officials as having been triggered by an anti-Muslim video aired in the United States which sparked protests across the Arab world.

But it was later revealed that some of those behind the assault had links to organized Al-Qaeda extremists.

So far no-one has been charged or arrested in the investigation which is being led by the FBI, while the Libyan authorities are carrying out a separate probe.

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## Toronto strips crack-smoking mayor of powers

TORONTO (AFP) - Toronto city councillors voted to limit their crack-smoking mayor's powers Friday after his latest obscene outburst.

Rob Ford is under fire for a bizarre series of admitted and alleged misdeeds, most recently drawing mockery and gasps when he used obscene language while denying sexual harassment claims.

He later apologized for Thursday's outburst, but it did little to stem the swelling outrage, which began this month when he admitted he had smoked crack cocaine while on a drunken rampage.

Many councillors turned their backs on Ford when he stood to speak Thursday, and Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne, said she was willing to find a way to oust the mayor, if asked by the municipality.

Instead, Toronto's city council passed a motion on Friday morning limiting the mayor's executive powers, effectively leaving him as the city's chief magistrate in name only.

Councillor John Fillion said ahead of the vote that the aim was to "try to contain the mayor so that he doesn't bring down the reputation of council or of the city."

"We can't control his behavior, but certainly we can ensure that city business carries on as usual, perhaps even better," he said.

The motion, supported by an overwhelming majority of councillors, reduces the mayor's budget and staff, and strips him of the powers to appoint committee chairs as well as hire or fire department heads.

## Hong Kong adds \$5.16 million in funds for Philippines aid

HONG KONG (AFP) - Hong Kong said Friday it will contribute \$5.16 million to a fund that can be used to help the typhoon-stricken Philippines, after drawing fire for sticking to a deadline on sanctions against Manila over a 2010 hostage crisis.

The city's legislative body voted for the injection of HK\$40 million (\$5.16 million) into an existing disaster relief fund, boosting its total amount to HK\$49 million, which aid groups can then apply for, the government said in a statement late Friday.

"We really want to provide the needed aid to victims affected very significantly by this major typhoon," the ter-

ritory's chief secretary Carrie Lam said earlier this week.

Hong Kong is insisting that the Philippines offer a formal apology over the 2010 hijacking of a tour bus in Manila by a former police officer which left eight Hong Kongers dead and seven injured.

Its refusal to drop the threat despite the devastating impact of typhoon Haiyan, which has killed thousands and devastated entire coastal communities, has drawn strong criticism from some Hong Kongers and the city's Filipino migrant workers.

"The situation is still the same," a government spokeswoman told AFP on Friday.

## Dutch national arrested in Belgium for preparing attacks

THE HAGUE - A 23-year-old Dutch national has been arrested in Belgium because he was involved in 'concrete preparations' for terror attacks, RTL reported on Friday.

The man is said to come from the village of Clinge in the southern province of Zeeland.

'It was a question of days,' the spokesman said. 'We had information that the threats were very concrete. The man was working out the practicalities.'

The man was arrested in a café on Wednesday evening where he was apparently trying to persuade people to join his cause.

His alleged targets included Belgian broadcaster VRT and 'several political institutions'. The man appeared to be working alone, the spokesman said. He is due to appear in court on Tuesday.

## Amsterdam cannabis cafes near schools must close during the day

THE HAGUE - All Amsterdam cannabis cafes within 250 metres of a secondary school will have to close their doors during school hours from January next year, the Parool reports on Friday.

The 31 so-called coffee shops affected will be able to open from 18.00 but can keep regular hours at weekends and during school holidays, mayor Eberhard van der Laan is quoted as saying by the Parool.

The measure is the first step in the eventual closure of the cafes. 'This cannot be true. It's going to cause problems and distance from a school is a non-issue,' said the local association of cannabis retailers.

'This policy is directed at school pupils but the under-18s don't get into a coffee shop anyway because of the tough controls,' the spokesman said. 'But our regulars will have to wait until 18.00 hours.'

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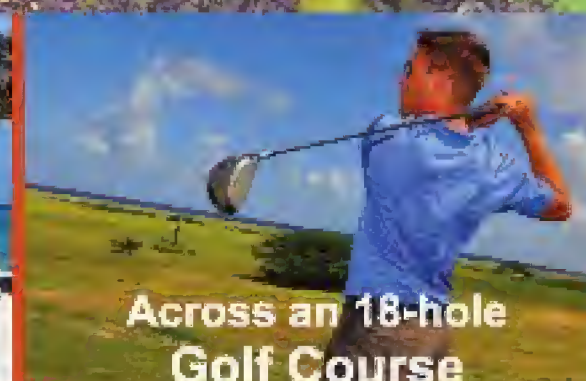
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## Uruguay to start pulling peacekeepers from Haiti

MONTEVIDEO (AFP) - Uruguay said Friday it will withdraw part of its peacekeepers from Haiti in the coming days, following through on an earlier decision it linked to a lack of democratic progress.

'Uruguay is sticking with its decision to leave for now and will withdraw and not replace a part of its forces in the coming days,' President Jose Mujica said in his weekly radio address.

Mujica's comments came just weeks after he announced that he planned to pull his

country's peacekeepers due to Haiti's delays in convening Senate elections and a 'political impasse in Haitian society.'

He said Friday that he and Brazilian President Dilma Rousseff recently agreed that the Brasilia-led force could not become a permanent 'Praetorian Guard' to protect a regime that was not moving forward with elections or forming a police force capable of guaranteeing security.

'Ultimately, if in 10 years we've not been able to solve these issues, obviously it

seems another road needs to be taken,' he said.

Mujica said the matter would be discussed with representatives of all countries contributing troops to the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti, known by its acronym MINUSTAH.

'We hope that we can quickly resolve this issue,' he said.

Uruguay is the largest contributor to the force in relation to its population and currently has some 840 army and 100 navy personnel stationed there.

The UN Security Council in October said it was reducing the size of the force, which has been on the ground since 2004, to 5,021 soldiers, from 6,233. Brazil began reducing the size of its contingent in March.

In Uruguay's case, that reduction amounted to 33 percent and that cutback is already being implemented, Defense Minister Eleuterio Fernandez Huidobro said recently.

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## China eases one child rule, ends re-education in reform package

BEIJING (AFP) - China's Communist rulers announced an easing of the controversial one-child policy amid a raft of sweeping pledges unveiled Friday including the abolition of "re-education" labour camps and loosening economic controls.

The moves also included reductions on the application of the death penalty, reforms to a widely abused "petition" system and changes in a residency registration scheme.

They were contained in a 22,000-word document on "major issues concerning comprehensively deepening reforms" released by the official

Xinhua news agency, three days after a key meeting of the Communist leadership in Beijing.

The gathering, known as the Third Plenum, has historically been the venue for major reform announcements, and comes one year after new leaders took charge of the ruling party.

Couples will be allowed to have two children if one of the parents is an only child -- widening the exceptions to a rule introduced in the late 1970s to control China's population, the world's largest.

The policy has at times been brutally enforced, with author-

ities relying on permits, fines and in some cases forced sterilisations and late-term abortions that have triggered public outrage.

Critics also argue that it has contributed to the gender imbalance of about six boys born for every five girls, with sex-specific abortions remaining common.

Beijing's statisticians warned this year that China's working-age population had begun to shrink for the first time in recent decades, falling by 3.45 million to 937 million in 2012.

The law currently restricts most parents to one child, with

exceptions including some rural families whose first child is a girl, ethnic minorities, and couples who are both only children.

Joan Kaufman, director of the Columbia Global Centers in Beijing and an public health expert, called the relaxation a "long overdue" move that will ease concerns about care for China's elderly population.

The deeply unpopular labour camp system is largely used for petty offenders but also blamed for rights abuses by officials seeking to punish "petitioners" who try to complain about them to higher authorities.

## Britain's Princess Anne suggests eating horsemeat

LONDON (AFP) - She may be known for her love of horses, but Britain's Princess Anne has now suggested that her compatriots should consider eating the animals like the French.

Queen Elizabeth II's daughter, a former eventing champion, said farming the creatures for their flesh in Britain could improve their welfare.

"Our attitudes to the horsemeat trade and the value of horsemeat may have to change," Anne said in a speech to the World Horse Welfare charity in London on Thursday.

"If that's true then, that they (producers) value their horses, they look after them well, because they're in the horsemeat trade... should we be considering a real market for horsemeat?"

"And would that reduce the number of welfare cases if there was a real value in the horsemeat sector? I chuck that out for what it's worth because I think it needs a debate."

Horsemeat consumption is generally taboo in Britain and Anne's comments come just months after a major European scandal involving horsemeat mislabelled as beef.

British newspapers ran headlines about her comments including "Let Them Eat Horse" -- a reference to the executed French queen Marie Antoinette's reported comment "let them eat cake" when asked about the poor.

Anne, who is 11th in line to the British throne, cited France as an example of a country where horsemeat is popular.



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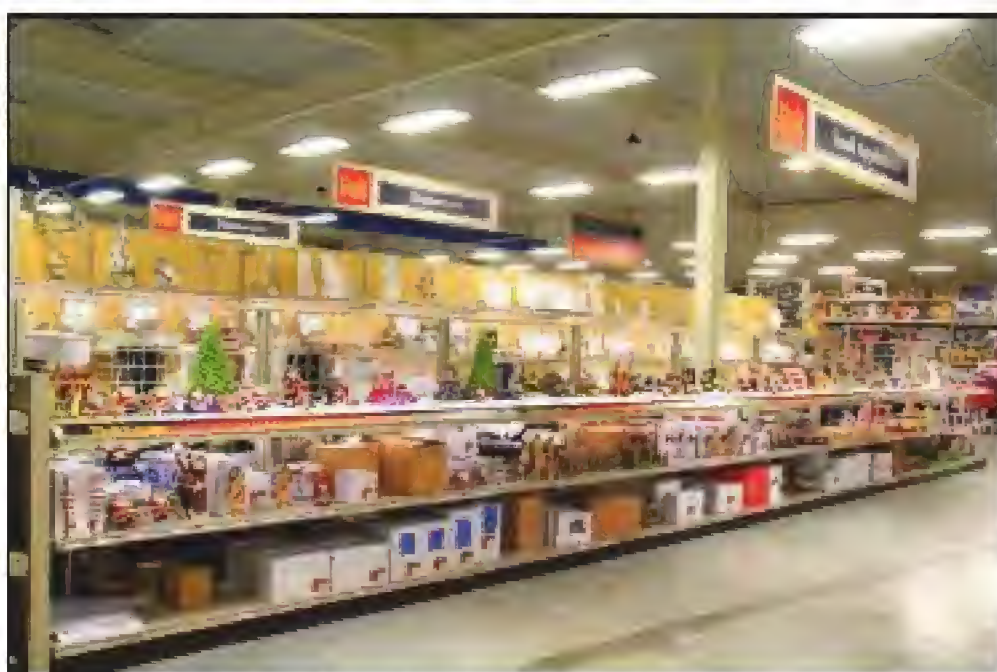
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Many families are making an evening of it, taking time to enjoy favorite holiday treats such as olibollen and ayaca from the in-house cafe, Do It Pizza and More. The clean, attractive restaurant serves not only pizza, but a fresh soup and special de jour, and exceptionally pleasing prices.

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## Grammys organizers announce TV tribute to Beatles



LOS ANGELES (AFP) - Grammys organizers announced plans for a tribute show to the Beatles on the 50th anniversary of their iconic Ed Sullivan show appearance, with today's top stars performing Fab Four hits.

The Recording Academy, which organizes music's equivalent of the Oscars, will bring together artists in Los Angeles the day after the 2014 Grammys show in January.

"The Night That Changed America: A Grammy Salute To The Beatles," will air two weeks later, on February 9, exactly 50 years to the hour after the famous Ed Sullivan show.

The appearance by the iconic British group -- who went on to win seven Grammy awards -- was one of the most watched TV events ever -- with

74 million people tuning in to watch the group perform five songs.

"The Beatles are one of music's most iconic groups, who won their first two Grammys, including one for Best New Artist, in 1964 -- the same year they took America by storm," said Recording Academy chief Neil Portnow.

Ken Ehrlich, who will executive produce the tribute, added: "Whether you were alive to witness it on television that night, or you've just known about it all your life, that first television appearance ... is historic."

"To be able to celebrate this significant event 50 years later -- and to the exact day, date, and time -- with an all-star cast of Grammy participants shapes up to be one for the books," he added.

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## 'Super Wi-Fi' heading for US campuses

WASHINGTON (AFP) - So-called "Super Wi-Fi," a new kind of wireless broadband, got a boost Thursday with the announcement that the technology would become available to hundreds of US colleges and universities.

Declaration Networks, a company working with colleges and non-profit groups, said it is now starting to offer the service to 500 schools around the United States.

The technology is often referred to as "Super Wi-Fi," although some wireless providers point out it uses a different frequency for transmission than what most people use in cafes and in home networks.

The service uses "white spaces" or unused portions of the spectrum that is generally available for local television broadcasts.

This wireless technology offers a bigger range than existing hotspots, is being deployed in the United States and generating interest in a number of countries, including Britain and Brazil.

Declaration has been working with a consortium of higher education institutions and nonprofits called AIR.U, whose members are interested in improving high-speed wire-

less access, particularly in rural and other underserved areas.

Declaration spokesman Barry Toser said West Virginia University is the first to deploy the service but added that "we are engaging with the other schools."

He said Super Wi-Fi requires no additional equipment for most devices and can have a range of up to five miles (eight kilometers) compared with 350 feet (100 meters) for traditional Wi-Fi.

Toser said colleges will be able to contract with Declaration for access for their campuses, and that residents in nearby communities may also sign up.

The AIR.U initiative, announced in 2012, seeks to establish white space networks in underserved campuses and their surrounding communities. It is supported by Google, Microsoft, New America Foundation and the Appalachian Regional Commission, among others.

The new deployment "responds to the need at many colleges to quickly and easily close gaps in campus broadband connectivity," said Michael Calabrese, director of the Wireless Future Project at the New America Foundation and an AIR.U co-founder.

## Google prevails in long-running book digitization case

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - A US judge Thursday threw out a long-running challenge to Google's massive book-scanning project in a decision that could transform copyright law in the digital age.

Federal Judge Denny Chin dismissed the case which dates back to 2005, saying Google's project is "fair use" under copyright law because it provides vital educational and other public benefits.

In a 28-page decision, Chin said the Google program, dubbed the "Library Project," preserves books, gives "new life" to forgotten editions, sustains "print-disabled" users and benefit authors and publishers by finding them new readers.

The Authors Guild, one of the original plaintiffs in the case, vowed an appeal, saying the decision runs counter to copyright standards.

Google hailed Thursday's ruling.

The case centers on a Google program started in

2004 to create an electronic database of books that could be searchable by keywords.

Google has scanned more than 20 million books so far in the project. Books in the public domain -- without current copyrights -- are made available online to the public for free. For copyrighted books, Google offers a searchable database that displays snippets of text.

Google argued that the Library Project creates new information and new insights. The program "has been used to analyze the evolution of the American novel and how word usage reflects changes in American society and values," Google said in a legal brief.

But the Authors Guild, who were joined in the litigation by three authors, had argued Google violated the rights of authors by scanning works without obtaining approval from the authors, and said that Google's objectives were purely commercial.



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## Species protection needed at 78 sites: study



Udzungwa Mountains National Park Water Fall in Tanzania

WASHINGTON (AFP) - A scientific study out Thursday identifies 78 sites worldwide in dire need of environmental protection because they harbor species that could go extinct.

Many of the locations are already in protected areas of 34 countries. Together they contain populations of birds, amphibians, and mammals that are globally threatened.

Some are already designated for protection under the UNESCO World Heritage Convention, including Ecuador's Galapagos Islands, Peru's Manu National Park and India's Western Ghats.

Other areas do not have the same level of recognition, including Tanzania's Udzungwa Mountains National Park and Cuba's Cienaga de Zapata Wetland of International Importance.

The most "irreplaceable" spot in the world for threat-

ened species among 173,000 conservation areas studied went to Colombia's Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta Natural National Park.

"These exceptional places would all be strong candidates for World Heritage status," said Soizic Le Saout, lead author of the study which appears in the journal Science.

"Such recognition would ensure effective protection of the unique biodiversity in these areas, given the rigorous standards required for World Heritage sites."

The study was based on an international collaboration between the Centre for Functional and Evolutionary Ecology in France, International Union for Nature Conservation, the World Conservation Monitoring Centre, and BirdLife International.



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## Ecuador asks The Hague to quash Chevron case

QUITO (AFP) - Ecuador has asked the The Hague's Permanent Court of Arbitration to dismiss a case brought by US oil giant Chevron, which stands accused of polluting a vast area of the Amazon, officials said Friday.

Ecuador has requested the court issue a "definitive suspension" of the case brought by Chevron, which is challenging a \$9.5 billion fine, Ecuador legal officials confirmed to AFP via email.

The request was filed Thursday. "There is no deadline for the court to decide," the Ecuador justice source said.

Ecuador's Supreme Court earlier this week upheld a lower court decision against Chevron but dramatically reduced the amount to be paid in

damages from \$19 billion to \$9.51 billion.

Chevron described the Ecuador court ruling this week as "illegitimate and unenforceable."

Chevron has never worked directly in Ecuador but inherited the pollution lawsuit when it acquired former rival Texaco in 2001. Texaco operated in the South American nation from 1964-1990.

Thousands of Ecuadorian villagers say they were sickened and many have cancer as a result of the oil pollution of their water supply.

Chevron insists that Ecuador's state oil company Petroecuador is to blame and has sought to block legal claims being made against it via courts outside Ecuador.

## Forbes magazine publisher seeks buyer

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - Forbes Media, publisher of Forbes magazine, has hired investment bankers to explore a potential sale, the company's chief executive said Friday.

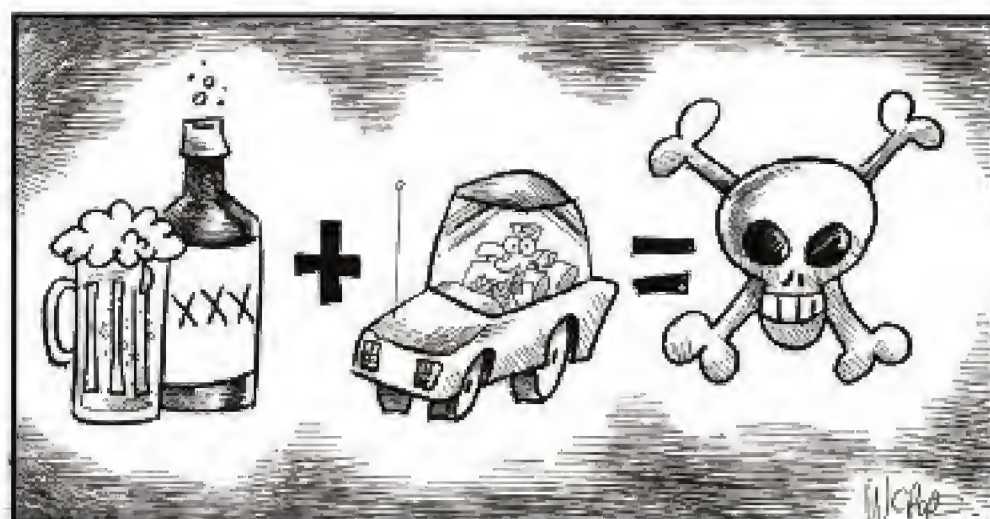
Forbes Media CEO Mike Perlis, in an internal memo to employees, said the company had hired Deutsche Bank to represent it after receiving a number of informal inquiries from possible suitors in recent months.

"The frequency and serious

nature of these overtures have brought us to a decision point," Perlis wrote.

"We're organizing a process to test the waters regarding a sale of Forbes Media," said Perlis, adding that the company expects "interest from numerous suitors."

Perlis said Forbes had done well in the shifting media landscape, growing its digital revenues over 25 percent by the end of the year. The company expects 2013 to be its best year financially in six years.



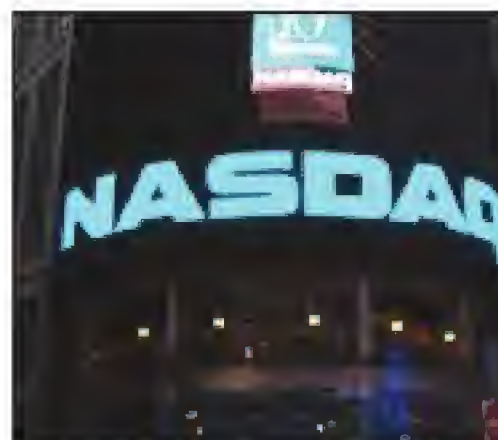
## Merged American Airlines to land on Nasdaq

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - American Airlines and US Airways, essentially cleared for merger next month, on Friday said that the combined company, the world's biggest airline, will trade on the Nasdaq Stock Market.

American's parent, AMR Corporation, and US Airways Group cleared a major hurdle for their merger Tuesday by agreeing to drop airport slots and other rights at key airports in a proposed deal settling a Justice Department antitrust lawsuit.

Court approval of the deal appeared likely, and the two companies announced plans for the new American Airlines to debut on the tech-rich Nasdaq, abandoning the rival New York Stock Exchange where US Airways currently trades.

American used to be listed on the NYSE but is now being traded over the counter as it undergoes Chapter 11 bankruptcy reorganization.



"Upon closing of the merger and AMR's emergence from Chapter 11, the combined company will be renamed American Airlines Group Inc. and will use the ticker symbol AAL," the companies said in a joint statement.

US Airways and AMR common stock will be cancelled and current investors will receive shares in the combined group under the merger terms.

"Today we moved another step closer in our preparations to launch the new American Airlines. NASDAQ offers a most advanced trading platform driven by innovation and

efficiency -- qualities that complement the new American," Tom Horton, AMR chairman, president and chief executive, and incoming chairman of the new American, said in the statement.

"We are very excited about the listing of our shares on the NASDAQ Global Select Market," said Doug Parker, chairman and CEO of US Airways, and incoming CEO of the new giant airline.

The head of Nasdaq OMX, operator of the Nasdaq Stock Market, Bob Greifeld, welcomed the planned market debut.

"We are pleased to have the new American Airlines call NASDAQ home and we look forward to celebrating many milestones with the company and its shareholders in the years to come," Greifeld said in the statement.

The companies expect to complete the merger in December.

## GE to exit North American retail finance business

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - US conglomerate General Electric announced plans Friday to spin off its North American retail finance business as it seeks to emphasize its industrial business over lending.

GE will issue up to 20 percent of the equity in the retail finance unit in an initial public offering in 2014 as "a first step in staged exit from that business," according to a GE securities filing.

GE said it currently plans to complete the exit from the North American retail finance business in 2015 by exchanging interest in the new venture for GE common shares. The company may also decide to exit by selling remaining shares in the new venture.

GE chief executive Jeffrey Immelt has discussed a goal of reducing the company's reliance on the share of lending



earnings to overall profits from 45 percent to 30 percent.

Over the last year, GE shares have underperformed compared with pure-play industrial equities like United

Technologies and Honeywell International.

GE said the spinoff should enable it to reduce shares to 9.0-9.5 billion from the current 10.1 billion, according to a GE Capital presentation to investors Friday.

The North American retail division includes credit cards issued by stores and is part of the consumer segment of GE Capital. GE Capital's other divisions include real estate and energy finance.

Shares in Dow member GE were up 0.8 percent in early-afternoon trade.



NEW YORK - Warren Buffett's Berkshire Hathaway bought a \$3.45-billion stake in Exxon Mobil in the third quarter, the company's largest investment since it invested \$10.7 billion in IBM two years ago, according to a regulatory filing late Thursday. The Securities and Exchange Commission filing shows that Berkshire Hathaway held about 40 million Exxon Mobil shares as of Sept. 30. The company, however, appears to have begun amassing its shares during the second quarter. A separate amended filing Thursday showed that it had bought the bulk of the Exxon Mobil shares, about \$2.82 billion worth, in the three-month period ending June 30.

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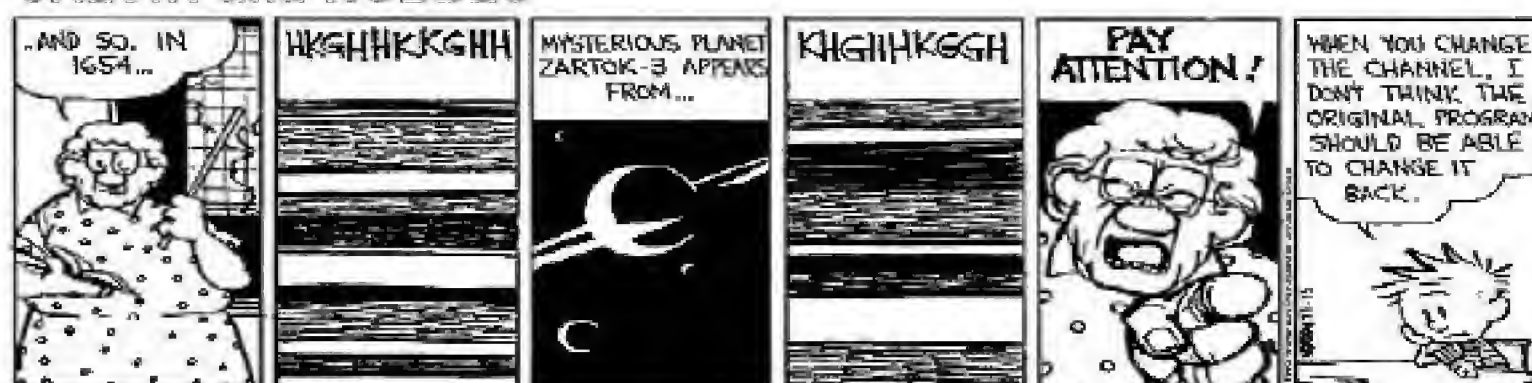
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5 Killer whale  
9 Synagogue scroll  
10 Bends  
12 Make up (for)  
13 Vaulted  
14 Sleep stage (abbr.)  
15 Bombshell West  
17 Winter ailment  
18 London

- 20 Reported  
22 Coke rival  
24 Mix with people  
27 Sluggers' successes (abbr.)  
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34 Onassis's nickname  
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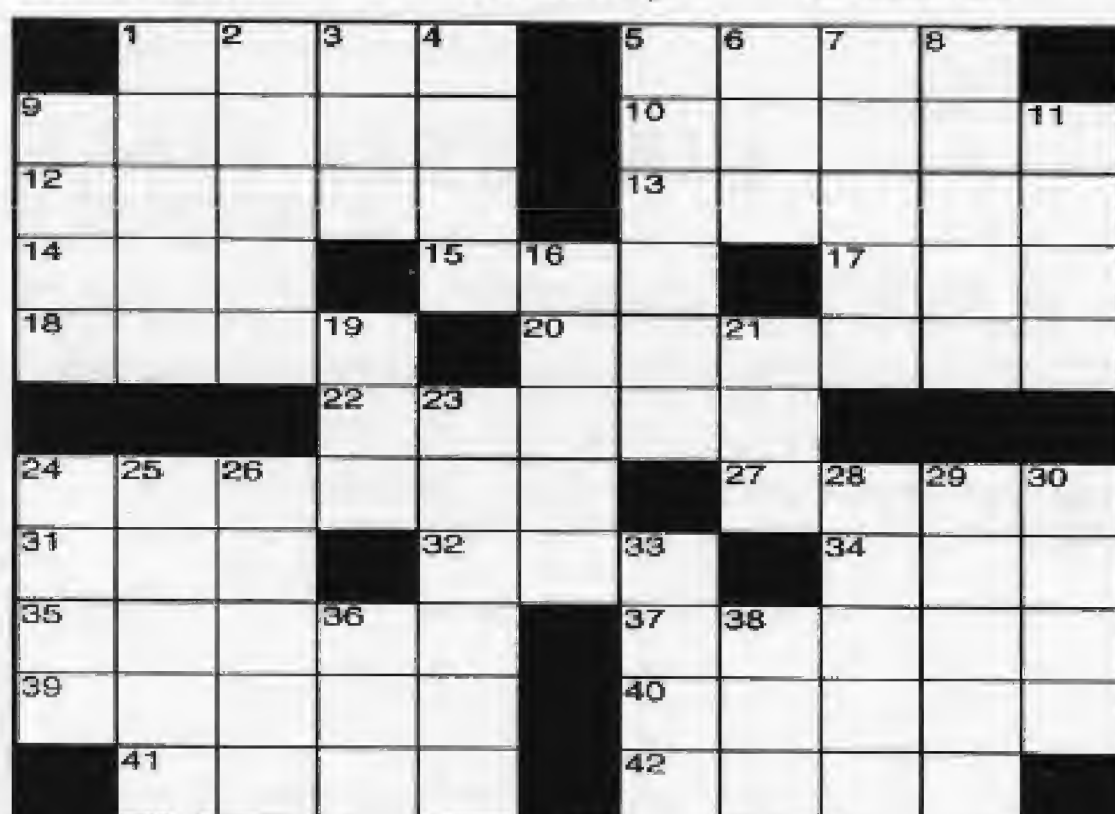
- 39 Short  
40 Cats with manes  
41 Exploit  
42 Eyeglass part

## DOWN

- 1 Attention-giving person  
2 Pleasant odor  
3 Dapper guy  
4 Attention-getting sound  
5 Little hooters  
6 Actress

## Charlotte

- 7 Small boat  
8 \_\_\_ pan-dowdy  
9 Infield cover, for short  
11 \_\_\_ poker  
16 Colorado resort town  
19 Car buyer's concern (abbr.)  
21 Voice a complaint  
23 Married in Vegas, maybe  
24 Shed feathers  
25 "\_\_\_ You" (Beatles song, 2 wds.)  
26 \_\_\_ Dame University  
28 Nobility member  
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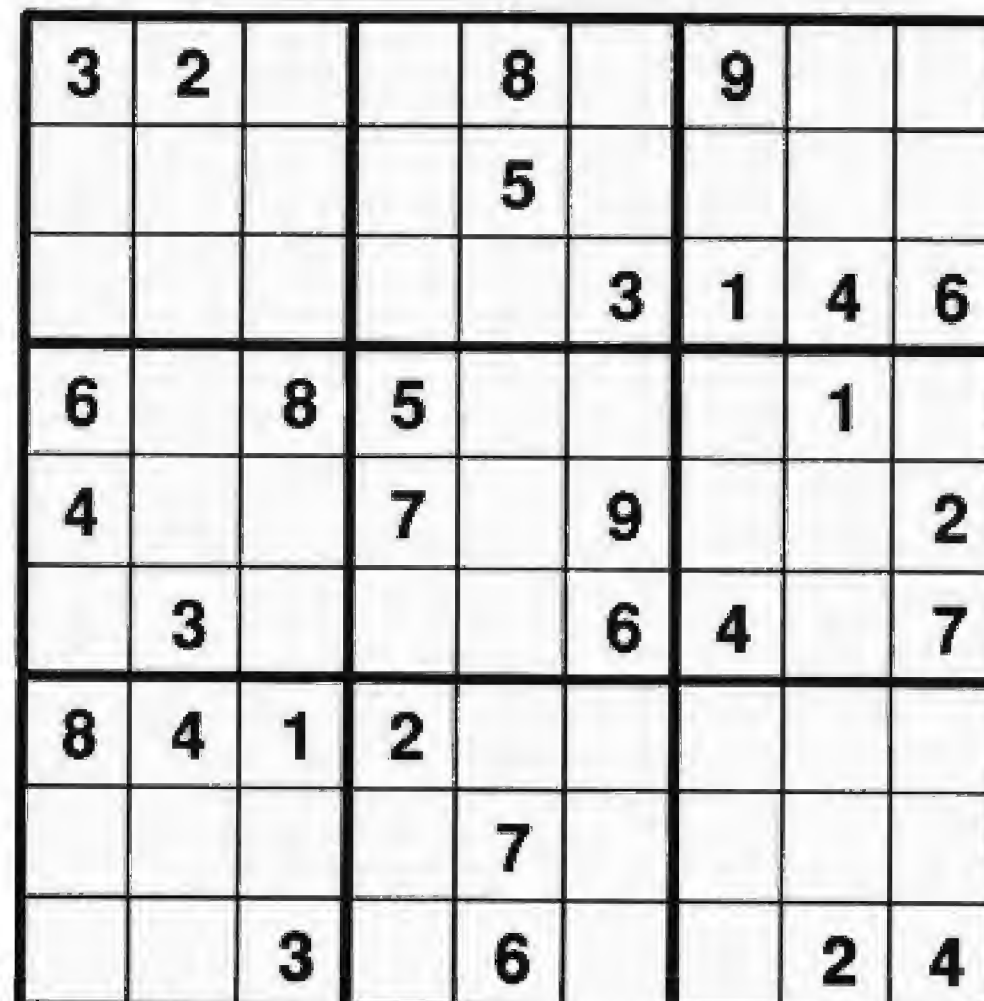
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In addition every rectangle must contain the numbers 1 through 9

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machi" - "Grandma's Beef Stew," or their fresh, whole snapper, with Mama Luisa's delectable salsa criollo. Don't miss the specialty of the house, a favorite local delicacy, Keshi Yena - "Filled Cheese." This is a tasty, filling stew of chicken, with other ingredients that are handy that day, all incased in a thick skin of melted Gouda. It is satisfying and particularly memorable. Regional side dishes and some of Mama's secret recipe prepara-

tion of banana hasa and creamy potatoes provide a deliciously picturesque meal.

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**Mama Luisa hard at work in the kitchen**

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## Venezuela champions in many other categories

### Posner/Jie Sam Foek win the Masters category of Beach Tennis

EAGLE BEACH - Although the road to the final of the Masters 50-plus of the Divi Aruba Beach Tennis event was not easy at all, the last Italian opponents across the net had had it for the day.

Louis Posner/Frank Jie Sam Foek from Aruba won the match 7-0!

Gazpari/Nutini tried, but had to bow low for the Arubans. Of course the crowd went wild!

In the other categories it was Venezuela that dominated as the following results show:

#### Fun Mix:

Cassarino/Vigon (Ven) - Salazar/Rodrigues (Ven) 7-5

#### Intermediate Mix:

Gomes/Nunes (ven) - Monte/Tassora (Bra) 7-4

#### Advanced Mix:

Moreno/Ferrari (Ven) - romay/Pagliaca (ARU/Ven) 7-6

#### Masters:

Posner/Jie Sam Foek (AUA) - Gazpari/Nutini (Ita) 7-0

#### Open Mix:

Font/Cortez (Bra) - Curzi/Marig (Ita) 7-6

In the Junior tournament there were the following winners:

#### Under 16:

1. Carlo & Angel (Ven)
2. Lorenzo & Francesca (It)

#### Girls under 16:

1. Anne & Eline
2. Tiara & Zoë



#### Under 14:

1. Rik & Shane
2. Dominique & Steff

#### Girls under 14:

1. Mali & Abibail
2. Maddy & Isabelle

#### Under 12:

1. Kai & Fin
2. Tim & Kim

#### Girls under 12:

1. Nienke & Femke
2. Kayleigh & Bodil

#### Under 10:

1. Jan & Dylan
2. Collin & JayJay

During the weekend the doubles are played on Eagle Beach, accompanied musically by top Brazilian DJ Marcela Penteado and DJ Buda. For the afterparty, after the finals on Sunday evening, DJ NutzBeatz from Aruba is spinning his discs. Fyi: he just flew back from Chile, where he played for a crowd of 70,000 people! So come on down, have a drink, a bite to eat, enjoy the incredible beach tennis, see the world-ranked players in action and dance to the music during the 2013 Divi Aruba Beach Tennis tournament.



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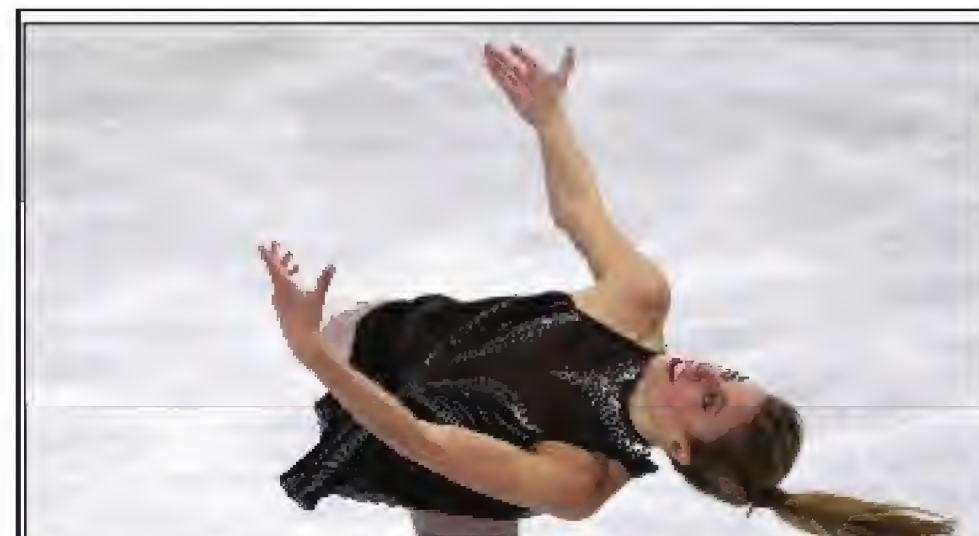
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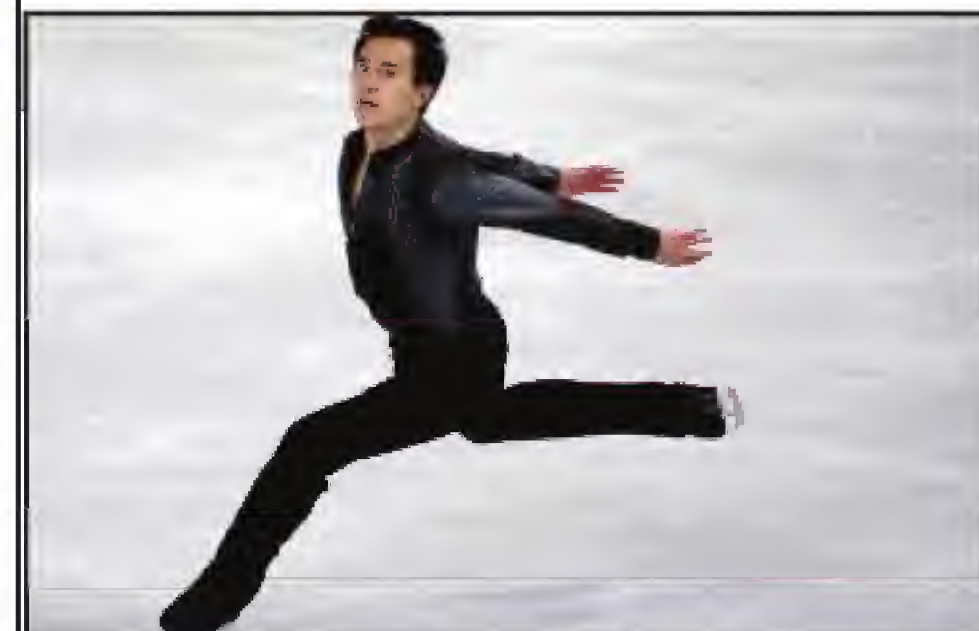
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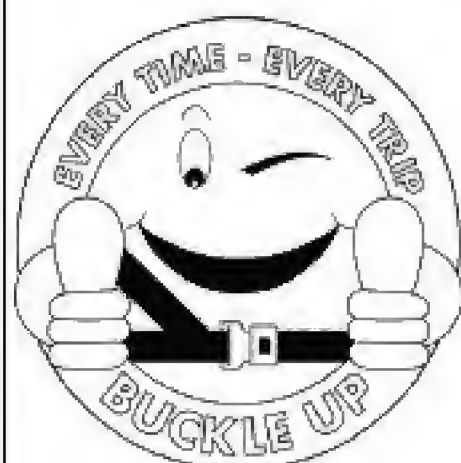
PARIS (AFP) - American Ashley Wagner lead the women's event at the Trophée Bompard figure skating Grand Prix in Paris on Friday. Defending champion Wagner stole the show in the women's event with an error-free performance to Pink Floyd's 'Shine on You Crazy Diamond'. The 22-year-old scored 66.75 to lead Russian teenagers Anna Pogorilaya (60.03) and Adelina Sotnikova (60.01).



PARIS (AFP) - Three-time world champion Patrick Chan warmed up for his Olympic challenge with a record-breaking performance. Chan opened with a quad toeloop-triple toeloop combination and nailed his triple axel and triple lutz jumps, but remained cautious despite his stunning skate. "I can't get ahead of myself," said the three-time Paris winner. "My mission is to win the Sochi Olympics."

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## The Divi Village Beats Marriott Hotel in Football Finals

ORANJESTAD - Last Saturday, took place the final match between Divi Village and Marriott Hotel at the Centro di Bario Brazil where Divi Village came well prepared and beat Marriott 16-3.

The Landscape and Ground department of Divi Village, Marriott and Caribbean Drip Irrigation came together for these matches in the last six weeks where Caribbean Drip Irrigation was the first to be eliminated.

Divi Village ladies did a number on the field especially Maria Sinisterra, who knew exactly how to move around with the ball and together with Dwayne Morris who is a football player scored

16 goals for their team. Marriott's goal getter of the night Roberto after the game helped at the BBQ-pit to relax his body.



The Champions - Divi Village



Sub Champions - Marriott Hotel



3rd place - Caribbean Drip Irrigation

The family of Caribbean Drip Irrigation came together to watch the final game and cheered for the two teams. After the match Mrs. Liz Casallas, secretary of Caribbean Drip Irrigation presented Mr. Dwayne Morris of Divi Village with the Champion Trophy while all players received a medal.

Now these three departments are preparing their team, where each must have at least two ladies includes for some Basketball games.

It was a very festive ambience where everybody enjoyed a delicious BBQ of Mrs. Juliana Hernandez.

*Pabien !*

## Watch UFC's-167 20 greatest fighters tonight at Glitz Casino



Georges St-Pierre will have his hands full with heavy-handed wrestler Johny Hendricks.

PALM BEACH -- Tonight, Nov. 16, Johny Hendricks will finally get his long-overdue shot against current UFC welterweight champion Georges St. Pierre.

The two will headline the UFC 167 fight card at the MGM Grand Garden Arena in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Georges (24-2-0, 8 KOs) is one of the most dominant champions in UFC history, with 8 successful title defenses, second only to former middleweight champion Anderson Silva's 10. The Canadian has dominated the 170lb ranks since avenging the shock defeat he suffered at the hands of Matt Serra over six years ago, beating every man put in front of him in downright convincing fashion. Carlos Condit, Nick Diaz, John Fitch, Josh Koscheck, Jake Shields and more

However, despite GSP's impressive reign as the Ultimate Fighting Championship's welterweight champion, victory against Hendricks (15-1-0, 8 KOs) at UFC 167 is far from guaranteed. That's because Hendricks packs serious knockout power in his left hand, punching power which was clearly evident during his bouts against Martin Kampmann and Jon Fitch. Johny's ability to close large distances with a single step significantly increases the likelihood of one of his sleep-inducing left hooks finding its target, making him a dangerous threat to any welterweight in the UFC.

Hendricks -- who also has solid wrestling skills -- won't be only looking to land hard shots with his left hand at UFC 167 though, he's confident his right would do just as much damage if it finds GSP's face.

**Glitz Casino, situated in La Cabana Beach Resort** invites all UFC Boxing fans to come and watch the bouts on their big HD screens. The casino has a \$3 special on all beer brands.

*The event starts at 9:00 p.m.*

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## Urirama Waveriders look back on a successful competition



ORANJESTAD - Just recently a competition of bodyboard took place at the Urirama beach. Aruba Bodyboard Association was delighted to see the large crowd who came out to participate. In addition to the competition they used the opportunity to do a clean-up of the entire area Urirama beach area.

Aruba Bodyboard Association and their members are conscious of the fact that we must keep our environment clean, thus with every competition to take time to clean up the beaches.

On Wednesday evening at Fuel at Bushiri Karting they presented the prizes to the Urirama Waveriders Open in the different categories, Surf Bodyboard, Open, Women, Dropknee and Junior. President of ABA, Etienne Arends congratulated all competitors and also announced the next competition scheduled for the month of December.

The final results of the competition are as follows:

Surf women

- 1) Tiziana La Torre
- 2) Savannah Hasham

Surf open

- 1) Max Dedekin
- 2) Dennis Tromp
- 3) Chesly Tromp
- 4) Rene Rudel

Damas

- 1) Ebrina Curet

DK

- 1) Roduard Ferrier
- 2) Kenny Kock
- 3) Jeremy Loefstok
- 4) JayfremCroes

Junior

- 1) Mourits van Dinter
- 2) JayfremCroes
- 3) Joshua Kelly
- 4) Shaquille Koolman

Open

- 1) Joshua Kelly
- 2) Jeremy Loefstok

- 3) Kenny Kock
- 4) Roduard Ferrier

ABA has recently chosen a new board of directors which consists of Etienne Arends as

President, Basilio Kelly, treasurer, Monica Franken, secretary and commissioners Romar Arends, Allen Boye, Eldrick Pontilius and Joshua Kelly. The Subsidy Commis-

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